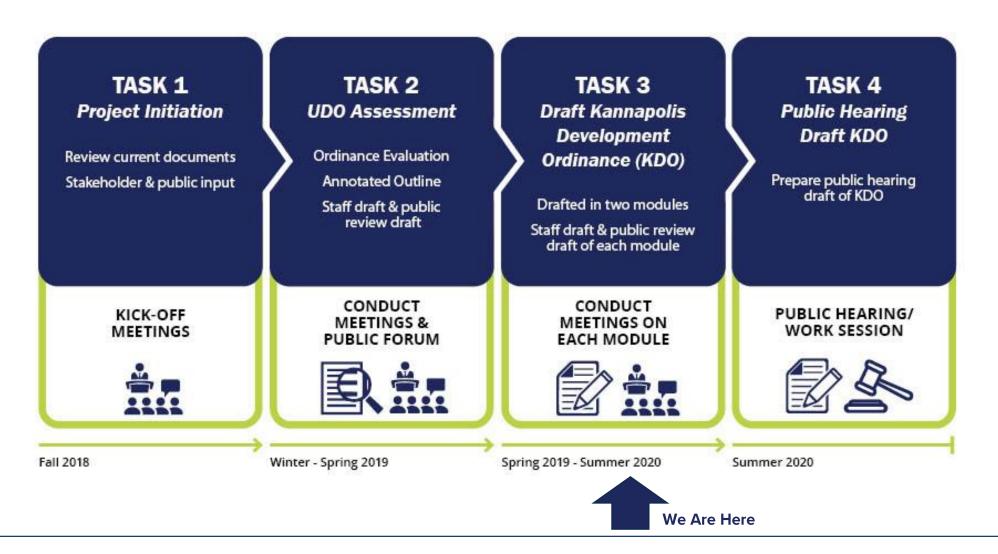


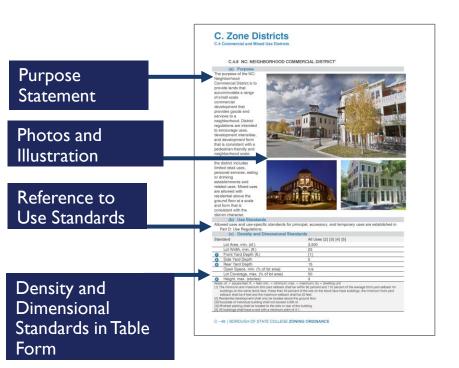
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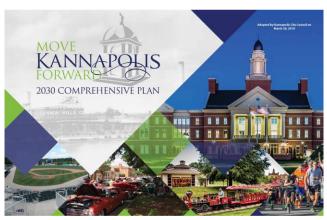


## **Key Themes**

Make the Regulations More User-Friendly Implement Move
Kannapolis Forward 2030
Comprehensive Plan

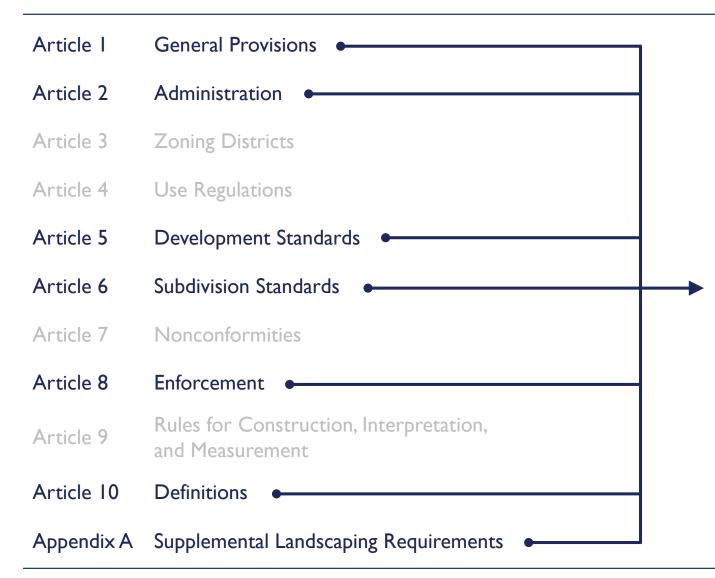
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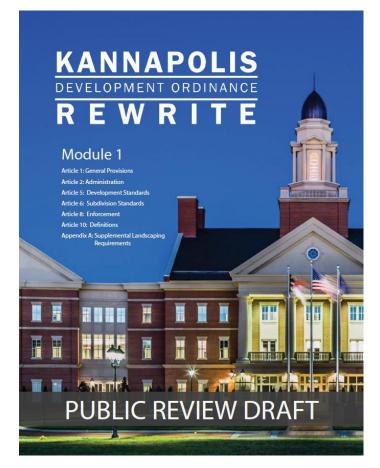




CURRENT DISTRICT	Proposed District	Move Kannapolis Forward 2030		
BASE DISTRICTS				
Agricultural				
AG Agricultural District	AG Agricultural District	Future Planning Areas		
Residential				
RE Rural Estate District	RRT Rural Residential Transition District	Cluster Residential, Conservation Neighborhood, Neighborhood Transition 2		
RL Residential Low Density District	RSF-2 Residential Single Family 2 District	Neighborhood Transition 1, Neighborhood Transition 2, Complete Neighborhood 1		
RM-1 Residential Medium Density District RM-2 Residential Medium Density District	RSF-4 Residential Single Family 4 District	Neighborhood Transition 1, Neighborhood Transition 2, Complete Neighborhood 1, Complete Neighborhood 2		
	RSF-6 Residential Single Family 6 District (NEW)	Complete Neighborhood 1, Complete Neighborhood 2		
	RSF-7 Residential Single Family 7 District (NEW)	Complete Neighborhood 1, Complete Neighborhood 2		
RV Residential Village District	RM-8 Residential Mixed 8 District	Complete Neighborhood 1, Complete Neighborhood 2, Urban Residential		
RC Residential Compact District	RM-18 Residential Mixed 18 District	Complete Neighborhood 2 Urban Residential		

## **Module 1 Draft Content**





## **Article 1 – General Provisions**

- Apply to the Kannapolis Development Ordinance generally
- Transitional provisions: what happens to ongoing and approved development when the new ordinance takes effect

I. General Provisions		
1.1	Title	
1.2	Authority	
1.3	General Purpose and Intent	
1.4	Applicability	
1.5	Conformance with Adopted Plans	
1.6	Relationships with Other Laws, Covenants, or Deeds	
1.7	Zoning Map	
1.8	Transitional Provisions	
1.9	Vested Rights	
1.10	Severability	
1.11	Effective Date	

## **Article 2 – Administration**

# Consolidates all development review procedures

- Summary table of development review responsibilities
- Powers and duties of City Council, Planning and Zoning Commission, Board of Adjustment, and staff
- Standard application review procedures
- Procedures for each type of application

#### 2. Administration Purpose and Organization of this Article 2.1 Summary Table of Development Review 2.2 Responsibilities Advisory and Decision-Making Bodies and 2.3 **Persons** Standard Application Requirements and 2.4 **Procedures** Application-Specific Review Procedures 2.5 and Standards

## **Summary Table**

**Table 2.2 Summary Table of Development Review Responsibilities** 

D: Decision R: Recommendation S: Staff Review A: Appeal <\_>: Public Hearing

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Түре оғ Аррысаттом	CITY COUNCIL	P LANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION	BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	PLANNING DIRECTOR	Public Works Director
DISCRETIONARY REVIEW					
Text Amendment	<d></d>	<r></r>		S	
Zoning Map Amendment	<a>, <d>[1]</d></a>	<d>[1]</d>		S	
Conditional Zoning	<a>, <d>[1]</d></a>	<d>[1]</d>		S	
Planned Development	<a>, <d>[1]</d></a>	<d>[1]</d>		S	
Conditional Use Permit			<d></d>	S	
SITE PLAN AND SUBDIVISION					
Site Plan			<a></a>	D	
Minor Subdivision					
Sketch Plat			<a></a>	D	S
Final Plat			<a></a>	D	S [2]
Major Subdivision					
Preliminary Plat				D	
Construction Plans					D
Final Plat			<a></a>	D	
Exempt Subdivision Determination				D	
PERMITS					
Zoning Clearance Permit			<a></a>	D	
Certificate of Compliance			<a></a>	D	
Tree Removal Permit			<a></a>	D	
Temporary Use Permit			<a></a>	D	
Home Occupation Permit			<a></a>	D	
Sign Permit			<a></a>	D	
Grading Permit			<a></a>		D
Erosion Control Permit					D [3]
Floodplain Development Permit			<a></a>	D	
Stormwater Management Permit		<u> </u>	<a></a>		D

TYPE OF APPLICATION	CITY COUNCIL	PLANNING AND ZON NG COMMISSION	BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	PLANNING DIRECTOR	PUBLICWORKS DIRECTOR
RELIEF					
Variance			<d></d>		
Administrative Adjustment			<a></a>	D	
Appeal of Administrative Decision			<d></d>		
OTHER PROCEDURES					
Interpretation			<a></a>	D [4]	D [4]
Density Averaging Certificate		D		S	
Special Intensity Allocation		D		S	
Certificate of Nonconformity Adjustment			<d></d>	S	
Table Notes					

#### Table Notes:

- [1] Final decision is by the Planning and Zoning Commission by three-quarters majority of voting members. If approved by a smaller majority, if denied, or if the Planning and Zoning Commission's decision is appealed, City Council makes the final decision.
- [2] Required if the subdivision includes water or sewer utility extensions.
- [3] Erosion and sedimentation controls for land disturbing activities of one acre or more are administered by the state, and state standards, requirements, and procedures apply.
- [4] The Public Works Director renders interpretations of the provisions in Section 5.10, Stormwater Management Standards; the Planning Director renders all other interpretations.
- [5] The following abbreviations are used in this table for actions required: D = Decision; R = Recommendation; S=Staff Review; A=Appeal; <\_>=Public Hearing

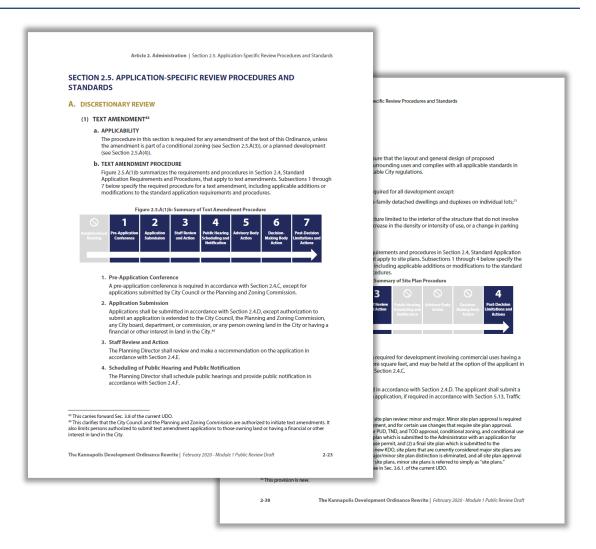
## **Standard Application Requirements & Procedures**

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## **Application-Specific Requirements**

For each type of development approval or permit:

- Applicability
  - OWhen is this needed?
- Procedure
  - O What are the steps?
- Review Standards
  - What to consider in approving or denying an application?



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## **Notable Changes**

- Conditional zoning procedure reorganized and updated
- Planned development procedure modernized
- Major/minor <u>site plan</u> distinction removed; all site plans approved by Planning Director
- Eliminated procedures
  - Major subdivision sketch plan
  - Subdivision exception
  - Vested rights certificate
- New procedures:
  - Tree removal permit
  - Administrative adjustment
  - Interpretations

## **Article 5 – Development Standards**

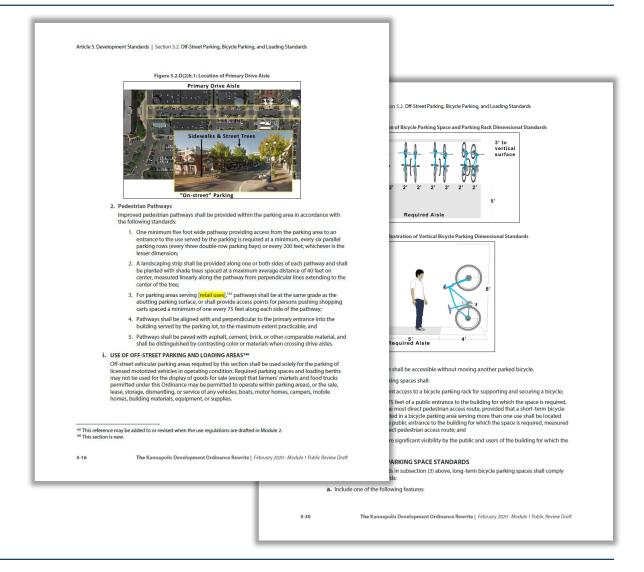
Consolidates all development standards into 13 subsections

#### 5. Development Standards

5.1	Mobility, Circulation, and Connectivity Standards
5.2	Off-Street Parking, Bicycle Parking, and Loading Standards
5.3	Landscaping and Buffer Standards
5.4	Open Space Set-Aside Standards
5.5	Fence and Wall Standards
5.6	Exterior Lighting Standards
5.7	Form and Design Standards
5.8	Neighborhood Compatibility
5.9	Sign Standards
5.10	Stormwater Management Standards
5.11	Green Building Standards
5.12	Green Building Incentives
5.13	Traffic Impact Analysis

## **Mobility | Off-Street Parking**

- 5.1. Mobility, circulation, and connectivity standards
  - Consolidates standards for streets, sidewalks, bicycle paths
  - Addresses street connectivity, cross access, driveways, and stacking lanes
- 5.2. Off-street parking, bicycle parking, and loading standards
  - New large parking lot standards
  - New flexibility provisions (off-site, deferred, valet, etc.)
  - New bicycle parking standards



## Landscaping | Open space

- 5.3. Landscaping and buffer standards
  - Perimeter buffer standards updated
  - Parking lot landscaping standards updated
  - New species diversity requirement
- 5.4. Open space set-aside standards
  - New generally applicable requirement for open space set-asides
  - Allowable types of open space described
  - Design standards
  - Ownership and maintenance requirements

Article 5. Development Standards | Section 5.4. Open Space Set-Aside Standard

#### TABLE 5.4.D: Open Space Set-Aside Features

#### Area Counted as Common Open Space Set-Asides & Design and Maintenance Requires

#### SQUARES, FORECOURTS, AND PLAN



escription: Squares, forecourts, plazas, and civic greens that ovide active gathering places and opportunities to create special aces.

Design and Maintenance Requirements: Such relatives shall be et al. least 500 square feel in area. Such features shall have direct access to a street or sidewalk or pedestrian way that connects to a street and shall be designed to accommodate people sitting and gathering, incorporating benches, tables, fountains, or other similar amenities, surrounding buildings shall be oriented toward the square, forecourt, or plaza when possible, and a connection shall be made to surrounding development. No less than 25 percent of the total open space set-aside area within the CC, MU-AC, MU-UC, or TOO districts shall be a souser forecourt or plaza.



#### REQUIRED LANDSCAPE AREAS

Description: All areas occupied by required landscaping areas, tre protection areas, perimeter buffers, vegetative screening, and riparian buffers, and agricultural buffers, except landscaped area within vehicular use areas.

Design and Maintenance Requirements: See Section 5.3, Landscaping and Buffer Standards



#### STORMWATER MANAGEMENT AREAS TREATED AS SITE AMENITIE

Description: Up to 75 persent of the land area occupied by stormwater management facilities (including retention and detention ponds and other bioretention devices), when such eatures are treated as an open space set aemenity, however, stormwater management facilities that are not treated as an open pace set aemently may be counted toward up to 25 percent of the required open space set-asides in Agricultural and Residential zonin districts, and in the GC, II., and z. destirics.<sup>231</sup>

Design and Maintenance Requirements: Stormwater management facilities treated as an open space site amenity shall support passive recreation uses by providing access, gentle slopes (less than 3:1), vegetative landscaping, and pedestrian elements such as paths and beaches. Stormwater management facilities shall be subject to a maintenance agreement approved by the operating authority or agency having regulatory authority over the facility.

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<sup>231</sup> This modifies the allowance for inaccessible land in Table 6.5-1 of the current UDO.

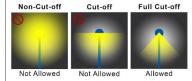
## Fences | Lighting

- 5.5. Fence and wall standards
  - New standards address location, height, material, appearance
- 5.6. Exterior lighting standards
  - New standards address hours illumination, brightness, height, shielding, energy efficiency, specific uses and features, measurement
- Security exemption
  - Applicant may request exceptions to standards for security reasons



Article 5. Development Standards | Section 5.6. Exterior Lighting Standards

#### Figure 5.6.C(4): Full Cut-off Fixtures



#### (5) ENERGY EFFICIENT FIXTURES AND ELEMENTS REQUIRED

- a. All outdoor light fixtures and light elements must be energy efficient, as defined in subsection b below. The Planning Director may allow exceptions to this requirement on finding the applicant demonstrates any of the following:
- An energy efficient fixture or light element is not reasonably available that meets the necessary functional requirements;
- Available energy efficient fixtures or light elements are not cost-effective over the life of the product, taking energy cost savings into account; or
- 3. The use of an energy efficient fixture or light element is unreasonable or impractical for other
- b. For purposes of this subsection, an energy efficient light fixture or light element must meet one of the following criteria:
- Is in the upper 25 percent of efficiency for all similar products as designated by the U.S. Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program; or
- Meets Department of Energy and Environmental Protection Agency criteria for use of the Energy Star trademark label.

#### D. STANDARDS FOR SPECIFIC USES AND SITE FEATURES

#### (1) OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS

- a. Maintained average horizontal illuminance values in parking areas during times when the parking area is in use shall not exceed 4.0 foot-candles of illumination.
- b. The ratio of maximum-to-minimum horizontal illuminance within the parking area shall no exceed 10:1.

#### (2) SPORTS OR PERFORMANCE VENUE

Lighting fixtures for outdoor sports areas, athletic fields, and performance areas shall be equipped with a glare control package (e.g., louvers, shields, or similar devices) and aimed so that their beams are directed and fall within the primary playing or performance area.

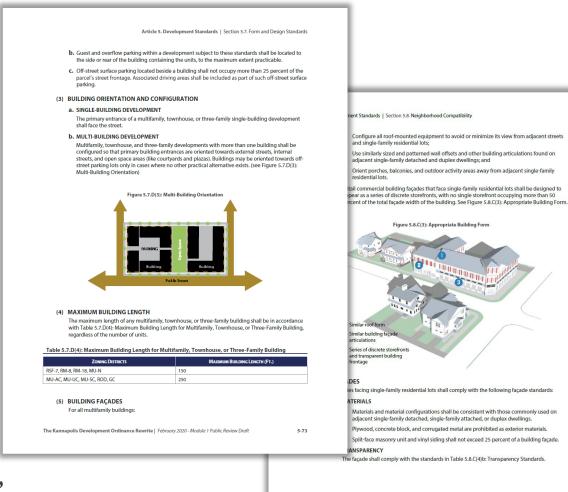
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## Form & Design | Neighborhood Compatibility

- 5.7. Development form and design standards
  - New standards apply to:
    - Multifamily development
    - Commercial and mixed-use development
    - Large retail establishments
    - Industrial and warehouse establishments
  - Standards address building orientation and design, parking location, screening, etc.
- 5.8. Neighborhood compatibility standards
  - New standards for lots adjacent to single family residential lots apply to:
    - Nonresidential
    - Mixed-use
    - Multifamily
  - Limits on building design, parking location, loading and storage areas, lighting, signage, operations, etc.

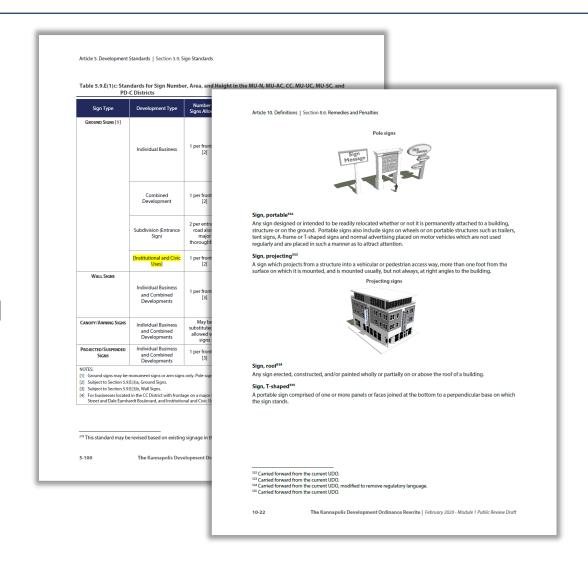


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## Signs | Stormwater

- 5.9. Sign standards
  - o Generally carried forward
  - Modifications to address court rulings
  - Tables and definitions refined
- 5.10. Stormwater management standards
  - Current requirements carried forward with some reorganization and refinements



## Sustainable/Green Building

- 5.11. Sustainable/green building standards
  - New minimum requirements for sustainable/green building
- 5.12. Sustainable/green building incentives
  - Additional density (I dwelling unit per acre)
  - Additional height (I story)
  - Additional lot coverage (10 percent)
- Flexible, menu-based approach
  - Energy conservation
  - Alternative energy
  - Green building certification
  - Passive solar
  - Water conservation and water quality
  - Vegetation
  - Urban agriculture
  - Universal design
  - Transportation

Article 5. Development Standards | Section 5.11. Sustainable/Green Building Standards

Standard"/NGBS Green or the International Code Council's International Green Construction Code, as determined by the Planning Director; and

 ${f d.}$  Remodels, alterations, or expansions of an existing building.

#### C. TIMING OF REVIEW

Review for compliance with the standards of this section shall occur during review of a development application for a conditional zoning (see Section 2.5.A(3)), planned development (see Section 2.5.A(4)), conditional use permit (see Section 2.5.A(5)), site plan (see Section 2.5.B(1)), minor subdivision (see Section 2.5.B(3)), or zoning clearance permit (see Section 2.5.C(1)), as appropriate.

#### D. SUSTAINABLE/GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS

#### (1) MINIMUM AMOUNT OF POINTS REQUIRED

Development subject to the standards of this section shall achieve the following minimum number of points from the menu of options shown in Table 5.11.D(2): Sustainable/Green Building Point System.

- 1. Minimum Requirements for Residential Development
- (a) 10 to 29 units: 3 points.
- (b) 30 or more units: 4 points.
- 2. Minimum Requirements for Nonresidential Development
- (a) 10,000 to 25,000 square feet: 3 points.
- (b) More than 25,000 square feet: 4 points.

#### (2) SUSTAINABLE/GREEN BUILDING POINT SYSTEM

Development subject to the standards of this section shall use Table 5.11.D(2): Green Building Point System, to determine compliance with this section.

#### Table 5.11.D(2): Sustainable/Green Building Point System

	POINTS EARNED
LOCATION OF DEVELOPMENT AND REDEVELOPMENT/ADAPTIVE REUSE	
Development in the CC, MU-UC, or MU-AC districts	0.75
Development on previously used or developed land that is contaminated with waste or pollution (brownfield site)	1.00
Development as a PD-TND District	1.00
Redevelopment of an existing parcel within the MU-AC District or TOD District	0.75
Adaptive reuse of a designated historic building	1.00
Preservation of an historic or archeological site	1.00
Energy Conservation	
Meet ASHRAE <sup>297</sup> standards for lighting	0.75
Meet Energy Star standards for low-rise residential or exceed ASHRAE efficiency standards by 15 percent	1.00
Home energy rating system (HERS) index greater than 90 and less than or equal to 95	0.50

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>297</sup> American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers

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## **Traffic Impact Analysis**

- Adequate public facilities provisions generally not carried forward
- Traffic Impact Analysis addresses adequacy of transportation facilities
  - o Requirements currently being drafted
    - When is TIA required?
    - How are impacts measured?
    - What mitigation is required?
    - Process for review of TIAs

## **Article 6 – Subdivision Standards**

# Carries forward current regulations, with refinements

- References applicable development standards
- References LDSM where applicable
- Cluster subdivision refinements
- Guarantee requirements updated

# 6.1 General Provisions 6.2 General Subdivision Standards 6.3 Lot and Block Design Standards 6.4 Cluster Subdivision Standards 6.5 Guarantees, Bonds, and Sureties

## **Article 8 – Enforcement**

 Carries forward and consolidates current enforcement provisions

#### Addresses:

- What actions result in a violation of the zoning ordinance?
- What persons will be held responsible for violations?
- Who enforces the ordinance and what procedures do they use?
- What remedies and penalties are available to the city?

6. Enforcement		
8.1	Purpose	
8.2	Compliance Required	
8.3	Violations	
8.4	Responsible Persons	
8.5	Enforcement Generally	
8.6	Remedies and Penalties	

#### **Article 10 – Definitions**

- Terms in Module I defined
- Module 2 terms will be added

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#### Reference level572

the top of the lowest floor for structures within Special Flood Hazard Areas designated as Zones A, AE, AH, AO, A99. The reference level is the bottom of the lowest horizontal structural member of the lowest floor for structures within Special Flood Hazard Areas designated as Zone VE.

#### Register of deeds

The Cabarrus County or Rowan County Register of Deeds.

#### Regulatory flood protection elevation<sup>573</sup>

The "Base Flood Elevation" plus the "Freeboard". In "Special Flood Hazard Areas" where Base Flood Elevations (BFEs) have been determined, this elevation shall be the BFE plus Insert freeboard [two (2) feet (Two feet is the state recommended minimum)] feet freeboard). In "Special Flood Hazard Areas" where no BFE has been established, this elevation shall be at least Insert feet [Two (2) feet is a state-recommended minimum, greater than two (2) feet is OPTIONAL] feet above the highest adjacent grade.

#### Retaining wall<sup>574</sup>

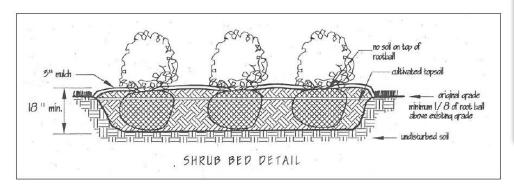
A manmade barrier constructed for the purpose of stabilizing soil, retarding erosion, or terracing a parcel or site.

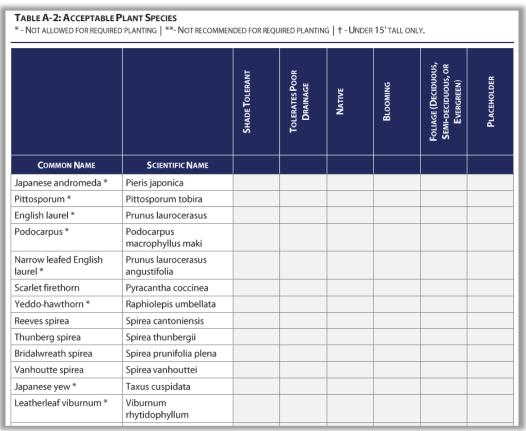
#### Riverine575

Relating to, formed by, or resembling a river (including tributaries), stream, brook, etc.

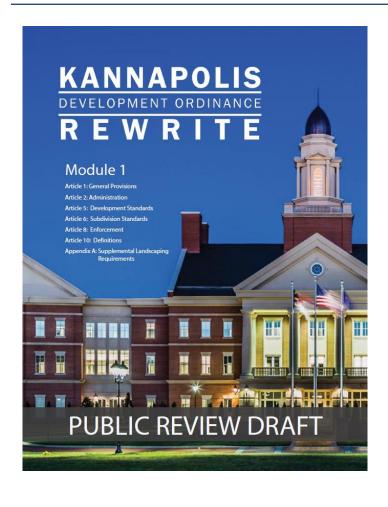
## **Appendix A – Supplemental Landscaping Requirements**

- Landscaping plan requirements
- Acceptable and prohibited species
- Landscaping installation requirements





## **Reviewing the Document**



- Commentary box at beginning of each article (will be removed in final draft)
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## **Next Steps**

- Public comment period
- Stakeholder meetings
- Begin drafting Module 2

